

MINUTES
Cedar Valley Distribution System
Well Users ←
February 19, 2019

Those Present: (See attached roll)

This meeting was called to order by Chair VaLyn Sherratt. She welcomed everyone to the meeting. She stated that the first item of business was to hear the Minutes of the 2018 meeting, and she asked Secretary LaRee Garfield to read those Minutes. She then asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes as read. Mike said that on page 2, the graphs referred to should read USGS graphs. With that correction, she called for a motion to approve the 2018 Minutes. Bob Tuckett moved for approval of the Minutes; Brent Jones seconded; Minutes approved as corrected.

VaLyn then asked April McKeon to present the 2018 Commissioner's Report. April reported that "in 2018, there were 8 temporary and 9 permanent change applications approved in the Cedar Valley Distribution System. The change applications are reflected on the spreadsheet that is contained within this report. I also submitted two enforcement referrals. One was for over watering which resulted in a Notice of Investigation. The second was for irrigating outside of the permitted use date. As discussed last year my goal was to improve the quality and accuracy of the mapping and the spreadsheet. This season I made several site visits and added irrigated acreage quantities to the spreadsheet. I checked every single water right on the spreadsheet with the Utah Division of Water Rights website. My goal in the upcoming year is to continue to improve the accuracy of the mapping and spreadsheet. I will focus on the potential over irrigated acres to insure compliance with water rights for each user. You will notice that the spreadsheet has question marks in the irrigated acreage column. Most of these are small irrigated areas and I intend to do a more accurate accounting of them this coming irrigation season. There are also some properties that have possibly been watering more acreage than there are water rights. I will be inspecting these properties in the upcoming season. The map is based on 2016 aerial photography as well as the commissioner's site investigations. There are some properties filled in with red. Some of these are shown as a reminder to me to review them in the upcoming season for possible over watering.

2018 began with precipitation significantly above normal. The current year to date is at normal in Southwest Utah and similar numbers throughout the entire state.

There are many irrigators that have both surface and underground water rights. In a low water year such as 2018, there are irrigators that are pumping beyond their underground rights. I suggest that meters be installed. The Mumford well is one example. I need the input of the water users to insure that the information on the spreadsheet and mapping is accurate. Please review your water rights, irrigated acres and crop type and report any errors. This will help with efforts to reduce water use required by the Groundwater Management Plan."

April stated that the legend on the map shows over watering outside of the use area.

VaLyn then asked for a motion to approve the Commissioner's Report. Rusty Aiken so moved; Sam seconded; motion carried. VaLyn asked if there were any concerns or comments related to the Commissioner's work for 2018, and there appeared to be none.

The next item of business was to hear the report from the State Division of Water Rights. Mike reviewed the maps that April had prepared. Mike said that he had visited the Valley three or four times this past season, and he was surprised at the number of smaller acreages here, less than five acres. He said we may want to look at these in the future so far as assessments, etc. He said that the snowpack was at 159% on February 14th, and today it was at 179%. We may have too much water coming down this spring which could be a problem. He commented that the billing for 2019 is based on acreage and that determines the assessment. He complemented us on our Water Management Plan. He also said that when owners have both surface and well rights, the well rights are limited.. In the future this situation will be looked at, and meters may be installed to make sure water rights are not over pumped.

VaLyn stated that the next item of business was to hear the 2018 Financial Report. Jared reported that we had a beginning fund balance of \$2,399.95, January 1, 2018. Our receipts totaled \$16,971.25 and expenditures totaled \$18,226.12. Our ending balance December 31, 2018 was \$1,145.08. The budgeted expenditures were reviewed which showed that travel expense incurred was \$174.88 more than was budgeted, and \$181.04 in miscellaneous costs (advertising for the new Commissioner) were expended and not budgeted for. Following this discussion, VaLyn then called for a motion to approve the Financial Report. Brent Jones moved for approval of the Financial Report; Sam Bauer seconded; motion carried.

Mike mentioned that we have way too many delinquencies. Ramon has about half of them, and he has said that he will take care of them. Mike asked that we talk to the people we know that are on the list and see if we can get those taken care of.

VaLyn said that the next agenda item was to prepare a budget of salaries and other necessary expenses. April's salary will remain the same, \$15,000; Social Security, \$1,148; Insurance, \$150; Travel Expense, \$700; Secretary Expense, \$150; State Engineer Assessment, \$1,309; and Annual Report, \$200. Total Budget, \$18,657.00. Rusty moved for approval of the proposed budget for 2019; Bob Tuckett seconded; Budget approved as proposed.

Rusty moved that we set the Assessment for 2019 at \$19,000.00; Sam seconded; motion carried.

VaLyn said that it is necessary to select a new Chair and committee members. The current Chair is VaLyn Sherratt, with Committee Members Bob Tuckett and Dennis Porter. Rusty moved that we retain the same Chair and Committee Members; Louise W. Dacus seconded; motion carried.

There being no further business, Sam moved for adjournment; Lloyd seconded; Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

CEDAR VALLEY WELL USERS
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NAME	REPRESENTING	MAILING ADDRESS	PHONE #
1. MIKE SILVA	WATER RIGHTS		
2. JARED MANNING	"		
3. Yahya Sherratt	Self Sherratt Farms	2911 No. 4100 West CC UT 84721	435-531-1413
4. Lakee Hobfield	Secretary	1252 N. 2625 W 84721	435-559-0600
5. MIKE SHERRATT	SELF	2131 N. COTONTAIL Dr. 84701	435-590-4207
6. Robert Tackett	Midvalley Estates Water	5143 No 2900 W 84721	435-559-0111
7. Rusty Aiken	Railroad ditch	Box 1684 CC 84721	435-463-2344
8. Wayne LeBaron	Cedar Valley Ranch	815 E 11,000 N. 84721	435-559-3700
9. Earl Gibson	Enoch City	900 E. Midvalley Rd	435-586-1119
10. APRIL McKEON	WATER COMMISSIONER	P.O. BOX 790235 VIRGIN, UT	435-691-2827
11. J.R. McKEON	VISITOR	✓	✓
12. BERT JONES	SELF	141 E. MOUNTAIN RD ENOCH UT. 84721	435-557-6737
13. DENNIS PORTER	SELF	4650 N. PORT-ORR LN. CEDAR CITY, UT 84721	435-586-3956
14. Wayne Grimshaw	self	667 E Midvalley Rd Enoch 84721	435-572-3262
15. Paul Ashdown	MARCUS E. Ashdown	234 S. 700 W. Cedar City 84720	435 559 4216
16. Lee Grimm	SELF	PO BOX 822 PAROWAN UT 84761	435-559-5844
17. Monty Sorensen	LX Livestock		435-586-6451
18. Kennan Imlay	Self	1682 North 3450 West CC UT 84721	435-590-3470
19. Brian DeMille	Thine Joe	422 N. 600 W. #1 Cedar City UT	435-531-9499
20. Judy Jensen	Vandenbergh Family	2111 E. Cliff Point DR. St. George UT. 84790	435-313-4262

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NAME	REPRESENTING	MAILING ADDRESS	PHONE #
21. Dan Sherratt	Sherratt Farms	646 N Main Cedar City, UT 84721 7103 W 2800 N	435-531-1472
22. Nathan Moses	Water Rights	646 N Main Cedar City	435-586-4231
23. Paul Bittmenn	Cedar City	10 N. Main Cedar City, UT 84721	435-865-5101
24. Dave Curtis	SELF	1800 N State St. OFF, Panguitch	801-356-8822
25. Sam Bauer	Self	1011 W 3000 N Cedar	435-586-4960
26. Deb Bauer	Self	" " "	" " "
27. Francis W. Davis	Self	2701 NW 3100 W	590-8329
28. Wendy Smith	Self	90 2125 W	559-3632
29. Bud Garfield			
30. Paul Nelson			
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